ALL ABOARD

With G. E. Mortimore

Vancouver boosters, who believe that nothing worthwhile exists west of the Lions' Gate Bridge or east of Haney, have been ringing a knell for Victoria.

They like to think that when the CPR pulls off its boats, the old town will have nothing left to live for.

The bolder spirits among them are already suggesting that the B.C. capital be uprooted and transplanted, stone by stone, to lower Cordova Street.

These people have much in common with Sinclair Lewis' hero, Babbitt. They feel that the bigger the town gets, the happier they will be.

Their idea of wise community planning is to sweep in all the people from other parts of B.C. and dump them in a squirming heap, somewhere between the Fraser and Burrard Inlet.

Won't Be Wished Away

Such people have never liked the idea that there is another sizable town in B.C. For years, they have been trying to wish poor old Victoria away. But the town is still here.

Not only that, but it continues to expand. Houses and streets are swallowing up Saanich farm at a depressing rate.

Industry appears to have turned its back on this area for the time being. However, today's pattern will not endure forever. There will be new industries, new types of transportation and new trade routes.

Daffodils won't be growing on the streets of Victoria for a while yet. But if daffodils do grow, who cares? Somebody will harvest them and sell them to the smog-choked denizens of Vancouver. A lot of Victoria people still think the old town is a good place to live.

* * *

Cities are full of lonely people. "Loneliness is dangerous, because it drives people to make friends with any riff-raff, anyone who makes a show of understanding," says Mrs. Roberta Lee.

Club for Friendly People

Mrs. Lee has organized a club for people who want to make friends, or "expand their circle of friendship."

She began it as a Commonwealth correspondence club, but her classified advertisements for pen-pals brought a big response from people who wanted to meet friends in person rather than on paper.

So she changed the club's purpose. Now it's called the "Fownhope Club," and it meets at intervals in the Pastime Centre, Oak Bay Junction, for movies, dances and parties.

Mrs. Lee phoned to tell me about her club. She says it's a non-profit organization; not a matrimonial agency. It's open to men and women of all ages. Membership now ranges from 27 to 60 and includes civil service executives, waitresses and pensioners.

Potential members can reach Mrs. Lee at EVergreen 4-0653. But the club won't take everyone, Mrs. Lee says. No alcoholics, wolves or grass widowers.

Brian M. Hunnings, 927 Richmond, has been elected president of the Pacific Club. Other officers are Don Johaneson, vice-president; Stanley Mossop and Arthur Saunders, committee members. Members of the committee with one year remaining to serve are R. W. McKenzie, Ian MacArthur and Frank Parry.

Death Claims Laddie Watkis

VANCOUVER (CP) — Mrs. Margaret Fennell, known during 25 years of broadcasting as Laddie Watkis, died in hospital yesterday after a lengthy illness.

Mrs. Fennell joined radio station CJOR here in 1929 as a singer and pianist and was often referred to as the girl baritone. She also served as women's editor for the station and at the time of her death was treasurer of the company.

'No Need' for UBC Fee Hike

EDUCATION MINISTER LESLIE PETERSON

There is no need for an increase in UBC student fees, Education Minister Leslie Peterson said yesterday.

He explained that with the provincial government grant of $4,984,000 (an increase of $650,000) together with other revenue available and the application of a portion of the university's revenue surplus to normal expenses, UBC should be able to maintain existing services at an increased level of costs.

He said further the university should be able to engage additional staff to cope with increased enrolment and to raise salaries of the university's academic staff.

Mr. Peterson said, however, it is not the prerogative of himself or the government to tell the university what expenditures it should make. He said that is the responsibility of the board of governors.

But, he added, "it would not be fair for anyone to suggest that this government has not recognized its responsibility to the university, nor is it fair for anyone to try and lay responsibility for any increase in fees on this government."

The university had asked for $2,000,000 more from the government than it got last year.

Mr. Peterson said the $650,000 increase in the grant to the university this year is the largest annual increase granted to any university in Canada.

He said UBC anticipates another 1,000 students in 1959.

He said the total government grant would amount to $477 per student compared with $460 per student in the 1958-59 year.

* * *

$2,000,000 Guarantee

$360,000 Allowed To Help Students

The provincial government will allow $300,000 for its new student aid plan to pay university fees on a scholarship basis, $60,000 for a bursary fund to be distributed to university students on a need and merit basis, and will guarantee UBC borrowings up to $2,000,000 for a student aid loan fund.

These figures were disclosed in the legislature yesterday by Education Minister Leslie Peterson who outlined the government's new three-point program to assist university students.

He said under the student aid fund the government will pay one-half the fees of all students with 80 per cent grades or higher and one-third the fees of the highest 2,000 students with grades between 65 and 80 per cent. He said the fund will be operated by a joint committee of representatives of the education department and UBC.

The scholarships will be available, upon application, to students in their undergraduate years at UBC, Victoria College, or affiliated colleges, and to those students taking a full year of grade 13 studies in the public schools of the province.

In deciding whether a student is entitled to a scholarship when he begins his first year of university or senior matriculation, his high school record for the previous year will be the deciding factor.

He said the scholarships will be available only for students who are residents of B.C.

The $60,000 bursary fund, he said, will enable the government to assist students who show evidence of financial need. Both need and merit will be considered.

* * *

Teaching 'Bests' Count Up

B.C. leads all Canada in many respects regarding teachers, Education Minister Peterson told the legislature yesterday.

Quoting from Dominion Bureau of Statistics, he said:

"British Columbia has the highest proportion of men teachers, the highest proportion of teachers with university degrees, the highest median salary for all teachers, the highest holding power regarding teacher tenure; the highest percentage of teachers with extra-provincial experience and the highest number of specialists certified teachers.

Fly B·O·A·C to LONDON – en route visit

SAN FRANCISCO

AND NEW YORK

AT NO EXTRA FARE!

Ask your Travel Agent to book you by connecting carrier to San Francisco . . . then by swift, BOAC *jet-prop* Britannia to New York. Fly on to London by the same plane or stop-over in New York, if you so desire. Arrive in Britain relaxed and refreshed . . . enjoy BOAC service all the way.

*Sample Economy Fare: Vancouver to London return $661.60. Pay $66.16 down, balance in 24 equal monthly instalments.

BRITISH OVERSEAS AIRWAYS CORPORATION
779 Burrard St., Vancouver
MUtual 4-8277

World Leader in Jet Travel
B·O·A·C
takes good care of you

*All fares subject to change without notice.

B.C. ESTATES
LIMITED

Announces

DIVIDEND NOTICES

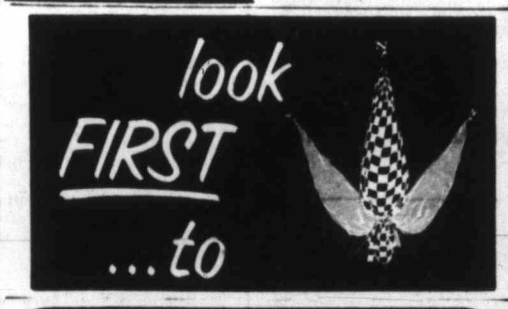
For

RAYMOND COURT LIMITED
MARLOW COURT LIMITED
1075 MELVILLE ST. LIMITED
MAYFAIR PROPERTIES LIMITED
BRETT-MAR PROPERTIES LIMITED

The quarterly dividends at the rate of 8% per annum in respect of the above companies has been declared payable on the 15th day of February, 1959, to shareholders of record at the close of business on the 31st day of January, 1959.

By Order of the Boards of the above-named Companies.

ADVERTISING STIMULATES BUYING



CONTROLS OVER-WINTERING INSECTS and DISEASES

Assures trees, shrubs their best chance for healthy, hardy Spring growth. Why let over-wintering insects and plant diseases rob you of fine fruit and beautiful flowers? The ORTHO Dormant Spray Kit—ORTHORIX Spray and VOLCK Oil Spray controls these problems. Stops pest damage *before* it starts.

ORTHO DORMANT SPRAY KIT

Scientifically right for a *fresh, potent* mix every time you spray. Easy to use. Controls red spider, white fly, mealybugs, scale, mites, rose rust, peach leaf curl, red berry trouble, aphis.

ORTHO

Ortho Agricultural Chemicals Ltd., Vancouver 1, B.C.

REG. TRADE MARKS, ORTHORIX, VOLCK

Williston Raps Ottawa Stand

Corridors a Must

B.C. Lands and Forests Minister Ray Williston last night took exception to a statement in the House of Commons by External Affairs Minister Sidney Smith that Canada still has no need for a corridor from British Columbia through the Alaska panhandle to the sea.

"No proper development can take place in the Tulsequah area without port facilities on deep water," Mr. Williston said.

"The large-scale power developments (Taku) in this area are also uneconomic until some proper means of ingress are provided.

"A direct road through to the coast would make a much shorter distance to market from the Cassiar asbestos area. The road is now being routed to Stewart, which is much farther."

Mr. Williston said "there is now almost no development behind the panhandle because of the access problem. Open corridors would establish stepping stones which would allow areas of activity to develop. This area is now almost impossible to work economically."

In Ottwa yesterday External Affairs Minister Smith said that in 1956 the government made clear to the Commons external affairs committee that there is no need for a corridor and there has been no change since then.

Ship Calendar

Arizona Rides Out Storm Off Shore

High winds gusting up the Strait of Juan de Fuca kept the freighter Arizona tossing off Victoria's waterfront all day yesterday waiting for a chance to enter port.

B.C. Pilotage Authority said the ship would not enter the exposed elevator birth at Ogden Point until the wind had abated a bit. Arizona is here to load 1,100 tons of flax seed for Japan.

* * *

Boating enthusiasts will be able to provision and gas-up, get their laundry done and even camp ashore if they like at a new marina on Salt Spring Island.

Scott Point Marina is located on 80 acres at Long Harbor, not far from Ganges. There are four beaches on its 2½ miles of waterfront. A lodge with lounge and TV is available free to guests.

Peter A. Frattinger, the owner, reports that only 500 feet of good moorage, provided on eight-foot pontoons, will be available until late summer when the rest is completed.

* * *

Merchant shipping in Island ports include Island Mariner, Victoria; Lagos Ontario, Cowichan Bay; Judith Ann, Crofton; King Charles and Mostun, Chemainus; Pacific Stronghold, Harmac; Rondo and Thunderbird, Nanaimo; Cape Grafton and Klaoro, Alberni.

Miss Agnew Goes Home

Miss Kathleen Agnew, of 1013 Vancouver, a well-known Victoria philanthropist who has been in hospital since December last year, was discharged Thursday from Royal Jubilee Hospital.

Weather Forecast

February 14, 1959

Cloudy with showers in the early morning. Little change in temperature. Winds southerly 15. Precipitation Friday, .02 inches; sunshine, one hour 12 minutes.

Recorded Temperatures
High ..... 43 Low 37

Forecast Temperatures
High ..... 43 Low 38
Sunrise ... 7.25 Sunset ... 5.33

East Coast of Vancouver Island—Cloudy with showers. Little change in temperature. Winds southerly 15. High and low at Nanaimo, 40 and 35.

West Coast of Vancouver Island—Cloudy with showers, little change in temperature. Winds southeast 20. High and low at Estevan Point, 42 and 35.

TEMPERATURES

	Min.	Max.	Prep.
St. John's	-1	31	.26
Halifax	20	38	.04
Montreal	16	40	.00
Ottawa	11	37	—
Toronto	30	37	.02
Port Arthur	-6	31	—
Kenora	-16	11	—
Winnipeg	-19	8	—
Brandon	-20	8	—
The Pas	-9	13	—
Regina	-13	12	—
Saskatoon	-10	6	—
Prince Albert	-18	14	—
Battleford	-13	13	—
Swift Current	-1	8	—
Medicine Hat	-3	11	—
Lethbridge	11	30	—
Calgary	8	16	—
Edmonton	3	8	TR
Kimberley	-5	26	—
Crescent Valley	17	37	—
Kaslo	16	35	—
Grand Forks	11	36	—
Kamloops	20	37	.01
Penticton	25	35	—
Vancouver	35	42	.08
Prince Rupert	32	42	.05
Prince George	18	29	.01
Seattle	35	47	.11
Portland	38	49	.19
San Francisco	37	56	—
Los Angeles	44	65	—
Spokane	16	38	—
Chicago	35	37	.11
New York	33	50	.11

TIDES AT VICTORIA
(Pacific Standard Time)

	Time H.M.	Ht. Ft.	Time H.M.	Ht. Ft.	Time H.M.	Ht. Ft.	Time H.M.	Ht. Ft.
14	07.04	8.4	14.38	-4.6	----	----	----	----
15	07.27	8.4	15.45	4.2	----	----	----	----
16	07.51	8.4	16.43	3.8	----	----	----	----
17	08.23	8.4	17.32	3.5	----	----	----	----
18	09.13	8.4	18.13	3.1	----	----	----	----
19	10.20	8.4	18.52	2.7	----	----	----	----
20	04.34	7.9	06.48	7.7	11.28	8.3	19.28	2.4
21	04.44	7.8	07.31	7.3	12.24	8.6	20.04	2.3
22	05.41	7.7	08.12	6.7	13.19	8.5	20.40	2.3
23	05.34	7.9	08.54	6.1	14.12	8.4	21.16	2.6
24	03.57	8.2	09.41	5.4	15.08	8.1	21.54	3.1
25	04.28	8.4	10.31	4.8	16.08	7.7	22.32	3.8
26	05.00	8.6	11.22	4.2	17.12	7.3	23.12	4.6

TIDES AT FULFORD HARBOUR
(Pacific Standard Time)

	Time H.M.	Ht. Ft.	Time H.M.	Ht. Ft.	Time H.M.	Ht. Ft.	Time H.M.	Ht. Ft.
14	02.25	7.6	08.31	10.8	16.15	5.2	23.35	8.9
15	02.15	8.4	09.20	10.6	17.05	4.8	----	----
16	01.28	9.3	04.29	9.1	09.34	10.4	17.56	4.6
17	02.46	9.8	06.11	8.5	10.35	10.3	18.47	4.2
18	03.25	10.2	07.32	9.6	11.26	10.2	19.32	3.8
19	03.56	10.6	08.31	9.4	12.23	10.1	20.15	3.4
20	04.21	10.9	09.15	9.1	13.27	10.2	20.57	3.1
21	04.45	11.1	09.52	8.7	14.31	10.3	21.39	3.0
22	05.10	11.3	10.29	8.1	15.28	10.4	22.18	3.1
23	05.36	11.5	11.07	7.4	16.27	10.3	22.59	3.5
24	06.02	11.6	11.50	6.6	17.27	10.2	23.38	4.1
25	06.31	11.7	12.34	5.9	18.30	10.1	----	----
26	00.20	5.0	07.01	11.7	13.20	5.0	19.38	2.9

OPEN FRIDAY TILL 9 P.M.

SUITE BUYS!

AT MACDONALD'S
YOUR PAY-LESS FURNITURE STORE

$75 TRADE-IN
For Your Old Chesterfield Suite on a New 2-Piece Suite During Our February Sale!

Take your pick from our large selection of beautiful chesterfield suites, get the finest in construction, the latest in styles with the most modern covers there are. See us today . . . you save $75.00.

NO MONEY DOWN!

AT MACDONALD'S—YOUR PAY-LESS STORE

$50 TRADE-IN
For Your Old Bedroom Furniture . . . on a New Bedroom Suite from Macdonald's. Do it now!

Save $50.00 now by trading in your old bedroom furniture—it's worth $50.00, regardless of age or condition, on a new suite from Macdonald's. Our selection includes all the latest finishes and construction improvements.

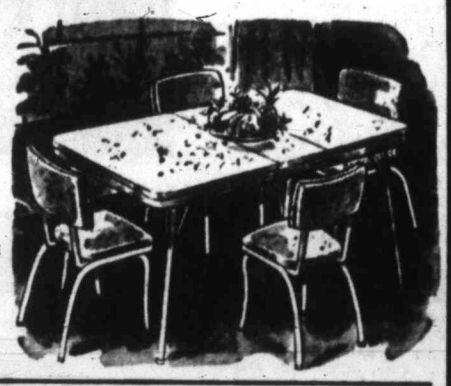
NO MONEY DOWN DELIVERS!

NO MONEY DOWN!

AT MACDONALD'S—YOUR PAY-LESS STORE

$20 TRADE-IN
For Your Old Kitchen Table and Chairs . . . on a New 5-Piece Dinette Suite!

Brighten up your kitchen or dinette with a new five-piece chrome or wrought iron suite. Easier to keep clean . . . the heat, acid and stain-resistant table top is ideal, specially if you have kiddies. Chairs are beautifully upholstered and covered with long-wearing, heavy-duty plastic in a large selection of colors.



NO MONEY DOWN!

AT MACDONALD'S—YOUR PAY-LESS STORE

$199
Places a New Famous-Name Automatic Clothes Dryer in Your Home Today!
Regular $269.00.
NO DOWN PAYMENT!

AT MACDONALD'S—YOUR PAY-LESS STORE

Only $2.50 A WEEK!
WITH NO DOWN PAYMENT
IS ALL YOU NEED FOR A BRAND NEW TELEVISION SET! . . . BOUGHT TODAY! DELIVERED TODAY!

MACDONALD'S

752 FORT STREET PHONE EV 3-1171

NO BETTER VALUES ANYWHERE